



**SUCCESS THROUGH HARD WORK**

**PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY FOR KALOTSAV DAY 2 - WINNERS**

On 9<sup>th</sup> August, the second day of the Kalotsav competition, the event winners were honoured in a grand ceremony. The Chief Guest, Mr. Thirugnanam, Councillor of the 37<sup>th</sup> Division, Salem, graced the occasion with his presence. In his address, he mentioned that Holy Cross School has a long-standing tradition of contributing to society through its educational services and making a positive impact on society through community service. The event was presided over by our esteemed correspondent and principal, Bro Sesusaj, CSC, along with the administrator, Bro Yesudasan, CSC. Their leadership and dedication continue to inspire and guide our institution towards greater achievements. The ceremony was a celebration of talent, hard work, and community spirit, reflecting the values we hold dear...



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## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION ON 14TH AUGUST

On 14th August, we were blessed to have an inspiring Eucharistic Celebration led by Rev. Dr. Dominic S.J., Superior of Loyola College, Metala. This special Holy Mass was held to commemorate the Assumption of Mother Mary into the heavenly abode and to celebrate the Independence Day of our beloved country. Rev. Dr. Dominic's profound words and spiritual guidance enriched the occasion, reminding us of the significance of Mother Mary's Assumption and the values of freedom and unity that our nation upholds. The celebration was a beautiful blend of faith and patriotism, bringing together the community in prayer and reflection. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather every month for a Holy Mass dedicated to our Christian teachers and students. These monthly celebrations serve as a source of spiritual nourishment and community bonding, fostering a deeper connection with our faith and each other.



## HOLY CROSS BOYS SHINE AT GFEST COMPETITIONS

The students of Holy Cross Boys School showcased their exceptional talent at the GFEST competitions held at EVPS School on August 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. With around 123 boys participating in 25 events across all categories from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> standard, the school emerged victorious, clinching the overall champions trophy with an impressive 635 points.

This remarkable achievement is a testament to the hard work and dedication of both the students and their teachers. The diverse range of events saw our boys excelling in various disciplines, demonstrating not only their skills but also their commitment to excellence.

Congratulations to all the students who participated and to the teachers who tirelessly trained and supported them. Your efforts have brought pride and honour to our school. Let's continue to strive for greatness in all our future endeavours!

YouTube Link : <https://youtu.be/1VtOeQNpvp4?si=lpkNnv92BUcgXvED>



## 78TH INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

On 15th August, our school proudly celebrated the 78th Independence Day with great fervour and patriotism. The event was graced by Dr. P. Sabari Rajan (Major), an ENT Specialist from SKS Hospital and Post Graduate Salem, as the chief guest. He delivered an enlightening speech on the values of our country's freedom, unity, and pride, inspiring everyone present.

The celebration featured a reverential march past by our School NCC, Army, Air Wing Cadets, Scouts, JRC, and NSS troops. Parents and alumni from Holy Cross School also participated, adding to the solemnity of the occasion. The march past took place before our country's National Flag, symbolizing our collective respect and dedication to the nation. The event was a memorable one, instilling a sense of patriotism and unity among all attendees.



## DRUG AWARENESS PROGRAMME

On 12th August, our school organized a Drug Awareness Programme as a welfare measure to educate students about the dangers of narcotic drugs. The event featured Mr. M. Muthuraman, DEO for Private Schools, as the chief guest. He delivered an impactful speech on the adverse effects of narcotic drugs on students' lives and society at large. We were also honoured to have Mrs. Prema, Deputy Director of Agriculture and Finance, as the special guest. Her presence added significant value to the programme. A highlight of the event was when all our students took an oath to say 'No' to drugs, committing to lead a drug-free life. This collective pledge marked a significant step towards fostering a healthy and safe environment for our students. The programme was a resounding success, leaving a lasting impression on everyone and reinforcing the importance of staying away from drugs.





### PTA MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: AUGUST 10, 2024

On August 10, 2024, our school hosted a PTA meeting for parents of students from classes 6 to 12. During the meeting, parents received the progress cards of their wards, reflecting their academic performance up to the month of July. A special session was organized for the parents of students in classes 10, 11, and 12. In this session, parents were briefed about the academic program for Term 1, leading up to the Quarterly exams. They were also encouraged to meet with subject teachers to discuss their wards' performance in detail.

Brother Principal and the Vice-Principal addressed the gathering, emphasizing the importance of parental support in the academic programs conducted by the school. They urged parents to actively participate and collaborate with the school to ensure the holistic development of their children.



### HOLY CROSS SCHOOL TRIUMPHS AT ZONAL SPORTS MEET

The zonal sports meet for the 2024-25 academic year was held on the 20th and 21st of August at Gandhi Stadium, Salem. It was a momentous occasion for Holy Cross School as our boys clinched the overall championship with an impressive 88 points, adding yet another feather to our cap. The event saw fierce competition among various schools, but the determination and hard work of our students shone through. Their outstanding performances across multiple events were instrumental in securing the top spot. This victory is a testament to the dedication of our students and the unwavering support of our coaches and staff. Congratulations to all the participants and winners for their remarkable achievements. Holy Cross School continues to excel and inspire, setting new benchmarks in sports and academics alike.

Let's keep the spirit high and aim for even greater heights in the future!



### INTERNATIONAL DAY : AUGUST

- 01 Aug : World Breastfeeding Week, 1-7 August [WHO]
- 09 Aug : International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
- 11 Aug : World Steelpan Day
- 12 Aug : International Youth Day
- 19 Aug : World Humanitarian Day
- 21 Aug : International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism
- 22 Aug : International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief
- 23 Aug : International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition [UNESCO]
- 29 Aug : International Day against Nuclear Tests
- 30 Aug : International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances
- 31 Aug : International Day for People of African Descent

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